

March 28, 2006

**MINUTES OF AN ADJOURNED REGULAR
MEETING OF THE TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Torrance City Council convened in an adjourned regular session at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 28, 2006 in City Council Chambers at Torrance City Hall.

ROLL CALL

Present: Councilmembers Guyton, Mauno, McIntyre, Nowatka, Scotto, Witkowsky, and Mayor Walker.

Absent: None.

Also Present: City Manager Jackson, City Attorney Fellows, City Clerk Herbers, and other staff representatives.

2. FLAG SALUTE/INVOCATION

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Los Angeles City Councilwoman Janice Hahn.

Councilmember Guyton gave the non-sectarian invocation.

3. AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING/WAIVE FURTHER READING

MOTION: Councilmember Scotto moved to accept and file the report of the City Clerk on the posting of the agenda for this meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Nowatka and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

MOTION: Councilmember Scotto moved that after the City Clerk has read aloud the number and title to any resolution or ordinance on the meeting agenda, the further reading thereof shall be waived, reserving and guaranteeing to each Councilmember the right to demand the reading of any such resolution or ordinance in regular order. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Nowatka and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

4. WITHDRAWN OR DEFERRED ITEMS

None.

5. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fire Chief Bongard reminded everyone that ExxonMobil would be conducting their monthly test of the siren and community alert system on Wednesday, April 5, at 11:30 a.m.

Councilmember Nowatka, on behalf of Councilmember McIntyre, announced that the Ad Hoc Rose Float Committee would meet on Tuesday, April 18, at 4:30 p.m. in the 3rd Floor Assembly Room to discuss the 2007 Rose Float design.

6. COMMUNITY MATTERS

6A. PROCLAMATION RE "NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK"

Mayor Walker presented a proclamation to Library Commission Chair Kathryn Roberts declaring the week of April 2 through April 8, 2006 as **National Library Week** in the City of Torrance, and encouraging all residents to take advantage of the extensive variety of resources and services available at the Torrance Public Library. Ms. Roberts announced various library programs for the month of April.

6B. SOUTH BAY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY DONATION TO TORRANCE PUBLIC LIBRARY

South Bay Genealogical Society President Jan Wheeler presented a \$1,000 donation to the Torrance Public Library and expressed appreciation for being allowed a room at the Katy Geissert Civic Center Library to make the society's collection of books and periodicals available to aid the public in researching their genealogical background.

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

7A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – FEBRUARY 7, 2006

7B. PURCHASE ORDER FOR HYDRAULIC ROTARY TURF MOWER

Recommendation

Recommendation of the **General Services Director** that City Council authorize the issuance of a purchase order to Turf Star, Inc. of Brea, CA, in the amount of \$71,953.70 including sales tax, for the sole-source purchase of one (1) Toro GM-580-D Hydraulic Rotary Turf Mower.

7C. PURCHASE AGREEMENT RE IRRIGATION AND SPRINKLER PARTS

Recommendation

Recommendation of the **General Services Director** that City Council authorize a purchasing agreement with Aqua-Flo Supply of Torrance, CA in an amount not to exceed \$ 35,000. The vendor will furnish irrigation PVC and sprinkler parts on an "as needed basis" for a period of one (1) year, effective April 28, 2006 through April 27, 2007. (B2006-09)

7D. CONTRACT FOR REPLACEMENT OF AIR COMPRESSOR

Recommendation

Recommendation of the **General Services Director** that City Council:

- 1) Award a contract to Xcel Mechanical Inc. for \$14,141 with a 5% contingency of \$707 for the replacement of an air compressor at the Katy Geissert Civic Center Library (FEAP #75); and
- 2) Appropriate \$9,848 from the Building Maintenance Capital Project Fund.

7E. APPROVAL OF FINAL PARCEL MAP 62202

Recommendation

Recommendation of the **Community Development Director** that City Council:

- 1) Approve Final Parcel Map No. 62202 creating two postage stamp lots and one common area lot, subdivided by Telo Medical Center, LLC, and located at 23600 and 23610 Telo Avenue, which substantially conforms to and meets all conditions of approval of the Tentative Parcel Map; and
- 2) Accept a 15' corner radius at the corner of 237th Street and Telo Avenue.

7F. EXTENSION OF CONTRACT WITH PETERSON HYDRAULICS, INC.

Recommendation

Recommendation of the **General Services Director** that City Council authorize the extension of the term of service with Peterson Hydraulics, Inc. (C2005-228) due to unanticipated delay encountered in soil sampling and remediation that have occurred since removal of the defective hoists. This contract was originally approved by Council on November 15, 2005. The term of service for this

contract expired on January 31, 2006. Staff requests an extension of six (6) months, to expire July 31, 2006.

7G. AGREEMENT RE SURF CAMPS AT TORRANCE BEACH

Recommendation

Recommendation of the **Community Services Director** that City Council approve an agreement with Paul Naret to provide Surf camps at Torrance Beach. The agreement is in an amount not to exceed \$26,040, and is offset by participant fees.

7H. CONTRACT FOR CONSTRUCTION OF POLICE DEPARTMENT MOBILE COMMAND VEHICLE STORAGE FACILITY

Recommendation

Recommendation of the **General Services Director** and the **Police Chief** that City Council:

- 1) Award a contract to SAS Construction Inc. for the construction of the Police Department Mobile Command Vehicle Storage Facility (B2006-05) for \$394,094 (FEAP #464);
- 2) Approve a 10% project management fee; and
- 3) Approve and appropriate \$308,356 from the Police Department Asset Forfeiture Accounts to FEAP #464.

MOTION: Councilmember Mauno moved for the approval of Consent Calendar Items 7A through 7H. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Nowatka and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

11. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

11A. RESOLUTIONS AMENDING RETIREE BENEFITS FOR TPOA, TPCA AND SAFETY MANAGEMENT EMPLOYEES

Recommendation

Recommendation of the **City Manager** that City Council:

- 1) Adopt supplemental resolutions to the Memoranda of Understanding which sets forth hours, wages and working conditions for employees represented by the following employee groups: Torrance Police Officers Association (TPOA) and Torrance Police Commanders Association (TPCA); and
- 2) Adopt a Resolution for Safety Management Employees amending retiree benefit language.

Assistant City Manager Giordano advised that the proposed Resolutions would amend benefit language with regard to the City's contribution for retiree health insurance in accordance with negotiations with TPOA, TPCA and Safety Management Employees.

MOTION: Councilmember Scotto moved to concur with the staff recommendation. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Nowatka and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-23

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 2005-56 SETTING FORTH CHANGES REGARDING HOURS, WAGES, AND WORKING CONDITIONS FOR EMPLOYEES REPRESENTED BY TORRANCE POLICE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION (TPOA)

MOTION: Councilmember Witkowsky moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 2006-23. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Nowatka and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-24

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 2005-122 SETTING FORTH CHANGES REGARDING HOURS, WAGES, AND WORKING CONDITIONS FOR SAFETY MANAGEMENT EMPLOYEES

MOTION: Councilmember Witkowsky moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 2006-24. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Nowatka and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-25

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 205-61 SETTING FORTH CHANGES REGARDING HOURS, WAGES, AND WORKING CONDITIONS FOR EMPLOYEES REPRESENTED BY TORRANCE POLICE COMMANDERS ASSOCIATION (tpca)

MOTION: Councilmember Witkowsky moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 2006-25. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Nowatka and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

12. HEARINGS

12A. CONSIDERATION OF PARKING RESTRICTIONS RE RECREATIONAL VEHICLES, TRAILERS AND OVERSIZED VEHICLES ON PUBLIC STREETS

Recommendation

Recommendation of the **Community Development Director** and the **Traffic Commission** that City Council:

- 1) Continue the public hearing from February 28, 2006 on the subject of on-street parking of recreational vehicles, trailers, and oversized vehicles on public streets;
- 2) Review the staff report and compiled suggestions from the October 3, 2005 Traffic Commission meeting and the February 28th, 2006 City Council Meeting;
- 3) Adopt an Ordinance adding a new Article 12 of Chapter 1 of Division 6 relating to Oversized Vehicles and Trailers; and

The **Community Development Director** further recommends that City Council approve a summary of the Ordinance for publication.

Mayor Walker announced that this was the time and place for the continued public hearing on this matter. City Clerk Herbers confirmed that the hearing was properly advertised.

Councilmember Scotto announced that he would abstain from consideration of the item due to fact he owns a towing business and occasionally tows recreational vehicles. He stated that although his company does not tow for the Torrance Police Department, there is the possibility that there would be a public perception that he would benefit financially should the ordinance be adopted. He exited City Hall at 7:18 p.m.

Councilmember Guyton stated that he did not participate in the previous hearing because he owns a recreational vehicle and a boat and there was a concern about a potential conflict of interest, however, written advice received from the Fair Political Practices Commission indicates that he does not have a disqualifying financial conflict of interest, therefore, he will be taking part in discussion of this item.

Transportation Planning Manager Semaan noted that information requested at the February 28, 2006 hearing was included in the staff report.

Mayor Walker invited public comment.

Los Angeles City Councilwoman Janice Hahn stated that the storage of recreation vehicles/oversized vehicles on public streets is a widespread problem; reported that she frequently receives letters from constituents about associated safety issues; and related her experience that the 72-hour parking law is ineffective in dealing with this problem. She explained that the Los Angeles City Council recently directed their city attorney to draft an ordinance prohibiting the overnight parking of recreation vehicles/oversized vehicles between the hours of 2:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m., which they believe will eliminate this problem, and urged the City of Torrance to consider a similar ordinance to avoid shifting the problem from municipality to municipality. She noted that in addition to the ordinance, the City of L.A. is looking into a permit system that would allow RV owners to park overnight on a short-term basis to load and unload their vehicles.

Robert Mietzner, Anza Avenue, related his observation that a lot of large trucks park on City streets and questioned why RVs were being singled out. He suggested the possibility of paving the right-of-way at Lomita Boulevard and Anza for RV parking. He noted that he owns an RV that he doesn't park on the street, but likes to keep nearby.

Karen Fitch, 236th Street, submitted an article from the Good Sam Club's Highway Magazine concerning states that are "RV friendly." She expressed concerns about the impact the proposed ordinance would have on people with limited incomes and those who use an RV as their primary vehicle. She was also concerned that the next step would be to prohibit the parking of RVs in driveways. She voiced her opinion that this problem would be better addressed by enforcing existing regulations.

Edward Bower, 237th Street, voiced his opposition to the proposed ordinance. As an alternate plan, he proposed that residents be required to register their RVs with the City and be issued parking stickers, which would allow them to park on the street in accordance with the 72-hour law, while all other RVs would be limited to 6-hour parking unless issued a temporary permit. Residents who violate the 72-hour law would have their permits revoked and would then be subject to non-resident regulations. He suggested that this would solve the problem of RV storage on City streets without inconveniencing resident RV owners by requiring them to obtain temporary permits each time they wish to park on the street and it would also accommodate non-residents who need to park on the street while they purchase supplies, visit attractions or conduct business.

Mr. Bower recommended that RV parking be restricted near intersections, school crossings, commercial driveways, and on narrow streets. He called for the City to find suitable low-cost RV storage facilities to accommodate vehicles displaced by the new regulations. He recommended that the proposed ordinance be revised with the assistance of a committee comprised of Community Development staff, one councilmember, and an equal number of RV owners and non-owners, and volunteered to serve on this committee.

Charles L. Deemer, Talisman Street, expressed concerns that Section 61.12.070 of the proposed ordinance, which prohibits the running of electrical cords, hoses and cables to an RV parked on the street, would make it impossible to service or fill the water tank of an RV. He questioned what City department would be responsible for issuing the RV parking permits and how the cost of administration would be defrayed. He contended that the proposed regulations were unnecessary.

Newt Young, Hickory Avenue, voiced objections to ordinance proposed by Councilwoman Hahn because parked RVs pose the greatest safety hazard during the daytime when children are present and traffic is most intense. He indicated that his primary objection to the proposed ordinance is the "grandfather" clause, which would reward people who have stored their RVs on the street and create two classes of RV owners – those who owned one before December 2006 and those who purchased one after that date – and suggested that a grace period makes more sense. He stated that he did not believe the City had any obligation to find storage facilities for RVs as that should be the responsibility of their owners. He contended that any costs associated with the ordinance should be borne entirely by RV owners, noting that 95% of residents do not own RVs.

Don Clouch, 238th Street, suggested that staff check with other cities that have implemented RV parking restrictions to find out the pros and cons. He expressed his preference for regulations prohibiting all overnight parking on residential streets as a means of preventing neighborhood blight, but conceded that the Council was not likely to take such a drastic step. He indicated that he was not opposed to the City's developing RV storage facilities, however, he felt that any facility should be self-sustaining and operated at no expense to taxpayers. He urged the Council not to allow the storage of RVs in front yards should the proposed ordinance be approved.

William Mason, Redbeam Avenue, reported that a neighbor is creating problems by storing a trailer on the street and urged the Council to take action on this issue.

Glen Kaiser, Mansel Avenue, stated that there are streets in Torrance where recreation vehicles can be parked for extended periods of times without causing any problems and suggested the possibility of restricting parking only on narrow streets or where safety is an issue.

Sue Aaron, Flavian Avenue, indicated that she supports citywide restrictions on the parking of RVs and that she favors a grace period to allow RV owners some time to find a place to store their vehicles, but does not support grandfathering. She expressed concerns that restricting street parking will lead to more parking of RVs in front yards.

Karen Galvin, Iris Avenue, noted that she serves on the Traffic Commission but was speaking on her own behalf. She voiced support for the proposed ordinance, eliminating the grandfather clause and providing for a grace period instead. She urged the Council to "think outside the box" for possible solutions, such as requiring new residential developments to provide a certain number of RV parking spaces. She reported that she stores her RV in Temecula and would need longer than 24 hours to prepare it for a trip. She suggested that others consider storing their RVs out of the area where the price of storage space is more reasonable.

Joy Peeraer, Via El Sereno, stated that opposes the proposed permit system and believes RV owners should be allowed to park in front of their own homes. She reported that her family uses their RV almost every weekend, therefore, they park it in front of their home and move it in the middle of the week to avoid violating the 72-hour parking law.

She stated that neighbors have been harassing her family by calling the police every three days and asked that something be done to prevent this harassment until this issue has been decided. She requested that residents continue to be allowed to park RVs in their own driveways, noting that the Torrance Municipal Code prohibits the parking of any vehicle in the front yard except for on a paved driveway/parking area.

Ms. Peeraer stated that Torrance is a family-oriented community; that the use of RVs fosters family unity and healthy kids, and that making it less convenient would greatly hinder this lifestyle. She contended that this issue is a matter of aesthetics and personal taste and related her observation that there are numerous things that detract from the appearance of her neighborhood, including chain link fences, cracked asphalt driveways and overgrown landscaping. She disputed the claim made in a letter to the editor in the *Daily Breeze* that an RV can be prepared for a two-week trip in 3-4 hours.

Charles M. Deemer, Talisman Street, proposed banning all parking on narrow streets rather than singling out RVs, maintaining that large pick-ups and SUVs pose an equal threat to safety. He stated that there is a general lack of parking throughout residential neighborhoods because people commonly have more vehicles than can be parked in their garages and suggested requiring driveways to be extended when homes are remodeled to provide more off-street parking. With regard to the permit process, he noted that some people do not own the home in which they live and cannot provide a property tax bill as proof of residency. He expressed concerns that asking visitors with RVs to disclose where they will be parking and the length of their stay could violate laws meant to protect privacy rights.

Stan Chernoff, Greenwood Avenue, related his understanding that vehicles that weigh in excess of 8,000 pounds may not park on City streets for more than one hour. He voiced support for banning the overnight parking of RVs on all City streets, noting that people are also storing their RVs on streets in commercial areas.

Deputy City Attorney Sullivan clarified that the weight restriction applies to commercial vehicles only.

Janet Payne, Engracia Avenue, related her belief that RVs don't belong on City streets just as sofas don't belong on front porches. She indicated she favors a permit system that includes a grace period, but no grandfathering and believes that a fee should be charged so the system would be self-supporting. She called for the elimination of legal "gobble-de-gook" so that any ordinance adopted will be easy to understand and enforce. She asked that the permit system be accessible via the telephone and the Internet so that residents will not have to visit city hall each time they need a permit.

Floyd Heideman, Teri Avenue, stated that the RV parking issue is a matter of aesthetics and related his understanding that the U.S. Supreme Court ruled in an Ohio case that parking may not be restricted based on aesthetics. He proposed prohibiting all overnight parking with an exemption for residents who park in front of their own homes, with enforcement to be on a complaint-basis.

Deputy City Attorney Sullivan advised that the case Mr. Heideman mentioned concerns a ruling by the Ohio Supreme Court, which is not binding on the State of California. Additionally, he noted that the proposed ordinance is based on health, safety and welfare issues.

Robert Shellabarger, Sepulveda Boulevard, voiced support for the grandfather clause of the proposed ordinance.

Steve Hamilton, 172nd Street, stated that the use of recreation vehicles is a wholesome, family activity, which should be encouraged. He maintained that the RV parking issue is simply a matter of aesthetics as no evidence has been presented to support claims that they are a safety hazard. He expressed concerns that enacting the proposed ordinance would lead to the regulation of matters of personal choice such as the color of one's house. He contended that the 72-hour parking law was meant to address abandoned and incapacitated vehicles and not restrict vehicles that are capable of being driven. He conceded that it may be necessary to restrict RV parking on narrow streets and voiced his opinion that trailers should be allowed to park on City streets only when they are hitched to a tow vehicle.

Billy Kang, 242nd Street, reported that an RV parks in front of his house, which appears to be owned by someone who lives in Lomita, and blocks the line-of-sight when exiting his driveway. He maintained that anyone who purchases an RV should factor in the cost of storing it.

MOTION: Councilmember Witkowski moved to close the public hearing. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Guyton and passed by unanimous roll call vote (absent Councilmember Scotto).

Councilmember Witkowski stated that she was inclined to support a permit system with a grace period, but no grandfathering, however, she was concerned about people who use an RV as their primary vehicle.

Deputy City Attorney Sullivan advised that the ordinance could be amended to include an exemption in cases where an RV is a resident's only vehicle.

At Councilmember Witkowski's request, Police Officer Matsuda discussed enforcement of the proposed ordinance, explaining that a permit system would be easier to enforce than the 72-hour parking law because there would be fewer RVs on the street and it would be clear that any RV without a permit does not belong.

Councilmember Witkowski asked how non-residents who park their RVs on City streets would be notified should a permit process be implemented.

Deputy City Attorney Sullivan reported that the police department is in the process of trying to obtain information about the ownership of RVs, trailers and oversized vehicles parked on Torrance streets so that owners of these vehicles could be notified.

Mayor Walker voiced his opinion that the Council has an obligation to take action on this issue because it will lead to a cleaner, safer and improved environment, but stressed the importance of taking the time necessary to arrive at a workable solution. He also believed the City should try to find possible sites for RV storage facilities due to the limited number of spaces available, however, he did not feel the City should take on management of them. He indicated that he favored a permit system in order to eliminate non-resident owned RVs from City streets, with the permits being valid for a 72-hour time period so RV owners would have ample time to prepare for trips and clean up afterward. He expressed support for a grace period so people would have time to find a place to store their RVs and to deal with the practicalities of storing them away from home. He related his preference to refer this matter to the City Council Community Planning and Design Committee to continue the process of crafting the ordinance.

Councilmember Mauno noted his agreement with Mayor Walker's remarks. He indicated that he favored requiring each permitted RV to be tied to a specific address for ease of enforcement and suggested the possibility of issuing stickers with a bar code that can be scanned in the field by parking enforcement officers to quickly determine the status of a vehicle.

Councilmember Guyton noted that he owns an RV and a boat, both of which are kept in storage when not in use. He related his experience that it takes a considerable amount of time to prepare/clean up an RV, but felt that 72 hours would be more than adequate. He requested that staff look into the phone-in system used by Huntington Beach, whereby a permit number is issued over the phone and then placed on the windshield where it's visible to parking enforcement officers. He suggested the possibility of a small annual registration fee to fund the program, however, he did not believe fees should be charged for each permit. He voiced his opinion that the City should coordinate efforts to try to find potential RV storage sites, but should not get into the RV storage business. He expressed concerns that residents may pave their front yards in order to store their RVs at home should the ordinance be enacted. He commented on safety issues associated with RVs parked near schools, parks and baseball fields and recommended that they be prohibited from parking at these locations. He indicated that he does not support grandfathering because it would create two classes of RV owners.

Councilmember Nowatka reported that he owned a trailer for many years while raising his children and stored it on the side of his house out of public view. He agreed that the storage of RVs on public streets is a problem, which needs to be addressed, but expressed concerns about encroaching on individual property rights should the City try to regulate parking in one's own driveway or backyard. He also expressed concerns about creating a system that is not self-funded, thereby burdening taxpayers. With regard to the proposed ordinance, he voiced his opinion that the potential safety hazards listed under Section 1 were overstated, because if the parking of RVs on City streets was truly this hazardous, they should not be allowed to park even on a short-term basis.

Mayor Walker indicated that he also favored a self-funded system.

A brief discussion ensued, and it was the consensus of the Council to refer the matter to the Community Planning and Design Committee.

MOTION: Councilmember Witkowsky moved to refer the matter to the City Council Community Planning and Design Committee to use the input provided to craft one or two ordinances with the following highlights: 1) Permit system for parking with a grace period, but no grandfathering; 2) Fee offset to be charged; 2) 72-hour maximum for loading and unloading; 3) Exemptions for visitors and for RVs used as primary vehicles. Staff directed to look for potential locations for RV storage with management placed in the hand of others. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Mauno and passed by unanimous roll call vote (absent Councilmember Scotto).

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The Council met as the Redevelopment Agency from 9:45 p.m. to 9:47 p.m.

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16. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

16A. City Manager Jackson asked that the City Council consider adjourning to April 11 as there were no items for consideration on the April 4 agenda.

16B. City Clerk Herbers announced that information on the June 6 election could be found on the City Clerk website.

16C. City Clerk Herbers noted that staff reports for City Council agenda items were now available on the City's website on a test-basis, allowing viewers to see material councilmembers use to make their decisions. She urged patience for those who have slower connections as some files may be large and advised that efforts were being made to speed the downloading of the larger files.

16D. Councilmember Guyton noted his attendance at the groundbreaking ceremony of the new Acura Design facility at American Honda on Monday, March 27.

16E. Councilmember Guyton invited everyone to support the Torrance Youth Council by attending the annual Pancake Breakfast at The Attic, 2320 West Carson Street, on Saturday, April 1, 2006 from 7:00 to 11:00 a.m.

16F. Councilmember Guyton announced that the Torrance Unified School District's Science Fair would be held on Wednesday, April 5, 2006, at the Torrance High School Auditorium.

16G. Councilmember Mauno reported that he also attended the Acura groundbreaking ceremony and viewed interesting test projects. He stated that Torrance is fortunate to have two leaders in hydrogen technology, Honda and Toyota, based here because alternative fuels will play a vital role in the future of the auto industry.

16H. Councilmember Witkowski noted that Honda has only two headquarters in the United States, one in Ohio and the facility here in Torrance.

16I. Councilmember Witkowski reminded the public that enforcement of environmental issues is handled through the Environmental Division of the Community Development Department.

16J. Wally Murker, President of Torrance Police Retirees Association, reported that AB1937, passed in August 2000, increases benefits to retirees, especially those retired for the longest period of time, and asked that Council consider a way to implement this benefit for all City of Torrance retirees.

17. EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

18. ADJOURNMENT

At 9:55 p.m., the meeting was adjourned to Tuesday, April 11, 2006 at 5:30 p.m. for an executive session with the regular meeting commencing at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers. **Tuesday, April 4 will be a dark night.**

Attest:

/s/ Dan Walker

Mayor of the City of Torrance

/s/ Sue Herbers

Sue Herbers, CMC

City Clerk of the City of Torrance

Approved on May 16, 2006

Sue Sweet
Recording Secretary

City Council
March 28, 2006